

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson  
Mr. William F. Luebke  
Lt. Colonel James Kebiske  
Mr. Thomas A. Ludka, Secretary

**VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES**

**EMERGENCY MEETING: November 2, 2009**

**TIME: 9:00 A.M.**

Mr. Clarence Stoel, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. The minutes of the May 22, 2009 meeting were reviewed. There were no corrections to the minutes. Mr. William Luebke made a motion to accept the minutes. Lt. Colonel Kebiske seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

**CASE # SWA, (908)**

This male veteran has been out of work for two years. He had a knee injury while he was in the service and a knee replacement after his discharge. He is a painter and cannot work because of his knee injury. The veteran filed a claim on his own with the VA and was denied because supporting documentation was not submitted. The Waukesha County Veteran's Service Office is now assisting the veteran in filing his claim. Mr. Ludka is asking the Veterans Service Commission to approve October and November expenses:

	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>
Shelstad Realty (Rent)	\$500.00	\$500.00
U.S. Cellular (Phone)	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00
Pick n Save (Food)	\$300.00	\$300.00

Total to be paid for October and November: \$1,740.

Mr. Ludka requested approval of a second grant for December. Mr. Stoel advised that because of the budget shortage, Disabled American Veterans would use their funds to pay \$500 rent, \$70 phone,

and if necessary, \$300 for food if the food stamps the veteran has applied for has not been granted at that time.

Mr. Luebke made a motion to approve the grant for October and November with Disabled American Veterans providing a third grant if needed. Lt. Colonel Kebiske approved the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. Ludka advised the commissioners that there has been an increase in requests for help with funding. Other service organizations provided approximately \$1,000 in funding for three other veterans. There will be a \$3000 increase in funds for the 2010 budget year.

Mr. Ludka passed out Minutes from the Wisconsin State Association of County Veterans Service Commissions held September 11, 2009. Mr. Stoel will try to make the May 2010 meeting.

Mr. Stoel advised that several companies such as Applebee's, Golden Coral, Lowe's, and Home Depot are offering specials to veterans on Veterans' Day

Mr. Ludka advised there are three new presumptive Agent Orange Conditions for veterans who served in-country Vietnam: Parkinson Disease, B-Cell Leukemia, Ischemic Heart Disease (CAD – Coronary Heart Disease). Final ruling on these conditions is not final at this time.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Stoel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 A.M. The motion was seconded by Lt. Colonel Lebiske. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. Ludka  
Secretary

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